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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "Polynucleotide and Polypeptide Sequences of Canine Cathepsin S", the specification of which:

(check one)	is attached hereto.
	was filed on as
	Application Serial No.
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